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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **KURODA, et al.**

Group Art Unit: **2834**

Serial No.: **09/520,164**

Examiner: **Pedro J. CUEVAS**

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For. **ENGINE CONTROL SYSTEM FOR HYBRID VEHICLE**

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: February 5, 2003

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 9, 2002 for a second and third month from December 9, 2002 to February 9, 2003. A previously submitted Request for Extension of Time has extended the period for response from November 9, 2002 to December 9, 2002.

A check in the amount of \$1,140.00 to cover the cost of the extension (\$820.00) and to cover the cost of the Notice of Appeal (\$320.00) is attached hereto. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please also charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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